

TALENT CONTROL SYSTEM ONLY

TCS-3164-58
15 August 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: TALENT Control Officer, CIA
THROUGH : TALENT Control Officer, DDI
SUBJECT : Request for TALENT Clearance of [redacted]
[redacted] of OCI.

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REFERENCES : a. TCS-521-56, 18 December 1956
b. TCS-2514-57, 31 December 1957
c. TCS-1123-57, 22 March 1957
d. TCS-842-57, 28 February 1957
e. TCS-2402-58, 25 February 1958

1. Authorization is requested for an additional TALENT clearance in Air Branch, Military Division, OCI to be held by [redacted]

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2. There are four analysts in Air Branch, which has responsibility for current intelligence exploitation of intelligence on air matters involving the Sino-Soviet Bloc. The subject matters under surveillance include aircraft and missiles, organization and equipment, procedures and proficiency, command and deployment, tactics and capabilities. Substantive responsibilities within the branch are: [redacted]
[redacted] - air facilities, Satellite forces, civil air and Arctic activities; [redacted] - air defense; [redacted]
[redacted] - Soviet tactical and long range air forces and; [redacted] missiles and, as chief, overall responsibility. As is typical in OCI, there is considerable interchangeability to provide coverage for off-duty hours, weekends, and absences due to leave.

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3. TALENT clearances are held by three: [redacted] (see reference a), [redacted] (see reference b), and [redacted] (see references c, d and e).

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4. TALENT materials pertinent to evaluation of Soviet air defense capabilities include:

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- A. photography of airfields, aircraft and electronic equipment employed by the USSR in an air defense role,
- B. ELINT - order of battle of radar equipment, characteristics and locations

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- C. analysis of Soviet air defense capabilities incorporating TALENT source material (I am thinking in particular of the study by [redacted] of OSI.

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4. In view of the specialized nature of [redacted] responsibilities and the inability of the other TALENT cleared personnel in Air Branch, because of the heavy work load they carry in their own fields, to provide adequate coverage of TALENT materials in [redacted] field it is deemed essential that [redacted] be granted TALENT clearance.

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5. [redacted] has SI and Special Air Force clearances.

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6. The Assistant Director, Current Intelligence certifies that the MUST KNOW principle is being applied in connection with this request.

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